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NOTES AND QUERIES.

FOLK-LORE OF ANTHROPOLOGY. The Yanans of northern California are among the latest of the Amerinds to be connected with the peoples of southern Asia by would-be ethnologists. In his account of the Yánádis of Nellore in the "Bulletin of the Madras Government Museum" (1901, iv. 88), Mr. T. Ranga Rao observes that "the editor of the 'Baptist Mission Review' . . . suggests a probable connection between the Yánádis of southern India and the Yanans of north California." The latter are said to be "a North American tribe, who differ from the other Indian tribes of California in physique and language, and who, according to tradition, went from the far East to California."

FROG-EATING. Two of the classes, or sections, of the Yánádis, a Telugu-speaking people of Nellore, in the Indian Presidency of Madras, are, according to Mr. T. Ranga Rao (Bull. Madras Gov. Mus., 1901, iv. 93), known as "the frog-eaters" and "the non-frog-eaters." The Yánádis of the North Arcot district (called Chenchus from the deity they worship) are "non-frog-eaters, and do not permit the Kappala, or 'frog-eaters,' even to touch their pots."

DUTCH PROVERBS. Dr. Stoett's dictionary of Dutch proverbs, of which the last part appeared in 1901, makes a volume of 744 pages. The index counts 28 pages, and the book contains 2212 proverbs, with notes, etc.

ARABIAN NIGHTS. Volume v. of the "Bibliographie des ouvrages arabes ou relatifs aux Arabes publiés dans l'Europe chrétienne de 1810 à 1885," by Professor Chauvin, of the University of Liège, — the second part (xii. + 297 pp.), appeared in 1901, — is devoted to the "Thousand and One Nights."

FOLK-LORE OF EASTERN EUROPE. In 1902, M. Lazarre Sainéan, known from his contributions on Roumanian folk-lore, etc., began a course of lectures at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes, Paris, on "The Folk-Lore of Eastern Europe."

"MOTHER GOOSE" DINNER. The 120th *Dîner de Ma Mère l'Oye* was held on January 31, 1902, at the Hôtel des Sociétés Savantes, Paris. M. Charles Beauquier, president of the "Société des Traditions Populaires," was in the chair, and there were present M. Emile Blément, A. Certeux, C. Rubbens, H. Cordier, G. Fouju, A. Rhône, P. Sébillot, P. Y. Sébillot. The first "Mother Goose Dinner" was held on February 1, 1882, with M. Gaston Paris presiding.

STUPIDITY OF DEITIES. In connection with "substitution" (*e. g.* gilt paper for gold), in offerings to deities, as practiced in Annam, S. Reinach